

# The Jacob Journal

A Newsletter from Supervisor Dianne Jacob

November 1999

#### MAPPING OUR FUTURE

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Your San Diego County Board of Supervisors has taken the lead in planning and coordinating future growth throughout this region.

Earlier this year, the Board of Supervisors, at the request of Supervisors Ron Roberts and Pam Slater, formed a Smart Growth Coalition that has been charged with defining problems and developing solutions for this region's growth issues. Some of the issues being discussed include traffic congestion, air quality, housing location and employment opportunities.

In an effort to thoroughly explore these issues, the Smart Growth Coalition has hosted three Regional Smart Growth forums.

At the forums, concerned citizens, the mayors and planning directors from this region's 18 cities, as well as representatives from planning groups, the building, environmental, planning, real estate, rental and business communities, are working together to create a planning effort that will lead us into the future.

The Smart Growth Coalition consists of elected officials from the County of San Diego, representatives from the County's 18 cities, the Building Industry Association, the Sierra Club, the San Diego County Realtors Association, the San Diego County Apartment Association, the Endangered Habitat League, the San Diego County Farm Bureau, the San Diego Economic Development Corporation, the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce, San Diego Dialogue, the San Diego Convention

 and Visitors Bureau, the Nonprofit Federation for Housing and Community Development and the County Department of Planning and Land Use. The Coalition will report their findings to the Board of Supervisors in the near future.

Because planning discussions for the urban areas impact those living in the unincorporated areas too, a crucial element of each of the growth forums is involvement from all County areas - cities as well as unincorporated areas.

While the growth forums focus on the region as a whole, much is happening within the unincorporated areas as well.

For over a year, the County of San Diego has been addressing future growth issues through an update of the County General Plan - a blueprint for the future of communities in the unincorporated area.

Local community leaders have been meeting weekly to develop these comprehensive plans — plans that are specific to the future character and heritage of each individual community. These plans will help prevent urban sprawl; protect and enhance the individual character of each community, plan for adequate roads, schools and parks; maintain our rural heritage; manage growth; protect our natural resources; conserve open space and preserve agriculture.

There's no such thing as a "one-size-fits-all" plan and it's wrong to base a community's future on the projections and expectations of outside agencies. That's why the Board of Supervisors, at my request, supported a process for the General Plan Update that relies on a grassroots planning effort. One that works from the "bottom-up" and is based on community leadership and community goals, rather than those set by special interests.

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Through public meetings of your local community planning or sponsor groups, individual community members are designing their road map of the future. This is your plan. It's your community. And, it's your future. I urge you to get involved! With your help, we can map our future and enhance and protect a quality of life for future generations second to none.

If you are interested in getting involved in your community's planning efforts, please call my office at (619) 531-5522.

#### YOUR COMMUNITY LIBRARY HOURS HAVE BEEN EXPANDED!

CAMPO:	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	Closed 9 am to Noon 9 am to Noon 1 pm to 8 pm 1 pm to 4 pm 9 am to Noon	LEMON GROVE:	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	Closed 10 am to 8 pm Noon to 8 pm 10 am to 6 pm 10 am to 4 pm 10 am to 4 pm
DESCANSO:	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	1 pm to 5 pm Closed 11:30 am to 1 pm 1:30 pm to 6 pm 11:30 am to 1 pm 1:30 pm to 6 pm 1 pm to 5 pm 10 am to 1 pm	PINE VALLEY: POTRERO	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Monday	Closed 1 pm to 8 pm 11 am to 3 pm 1 pm to 6 pm 11 am to 3 pm 11 am to 2 pm
JACUMBA:	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	Closed 1 pm to 8 pm 9 am to Noon 1 pm to 5 pm 9 am to Noon 9 am to Noon 1 pm to 4 pm	RAMONA:	Tuesday Thursday Friday Saturday  Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	10 am to 5 pm 10 am to 5 pm 10 am to 1 pm 10 am to 1 pm Closed Noon to 8 pm 10 am to 6 pm 10 am to 6 pm
LAKESIDE:	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	Closed Noon to 8 pm 10 am to 6 pm 10 am to 5 pm	SPRING VALLEY:	Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	10 am to 5 pm 1 pm to 5 pm 1 pm to 5 pm 10 am to 4 pm 10 am to 8 pm 10 am to 8 pm 10 am to 6 pm 10 am to 6 pm 10 am to 5 pm 10 am to 4 pm

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#### COUNTY LIBRARY'S BUDGET BOOSTED

#### Landmark State Legislation Paves Way for \$8.5 Million in Property Tax Funds

The County's Library System received a long overdue financial boost recently after the Governor signed a bill dedicating a portion of the County property tax growth to library services. The bill, authored by Assemblywoman Susan Davis and spearheaded by Supervisor Dianne Jacob, authorizes the Board of Supervisors to adopt an ordinance that will transfer up to \$3 Million of property tax funding into the library's budget each year, beginning with the current fiscal year through 2001-2002.

"AB 494 will virtually double the existing library operations budget so that County libraries will finally have their doors open full-time and on weekends, instead of having to limp along putting band-aids on our library system," said Supervisior Dianne Jacob. "This is a legacy that this Board of Supervisors will pass on for years to come."

Although the Board of Supervisors has significally increased the library's budget in recent years, the library system has one of the lowest per capita spending averages in the state. This legislation will ensure that the current Board's commitment to library funding is carried on.

The increase in funding will double the budget to \$19 million and will mean improvements such as extended evening and weekend hours, and hiring additional staff to better serve library patrons.

haven't stopped by my Internet **WWW.DIANNEJACOB.COM**, I invite you to take a peak. For your convenience, I have posted information about County programs as well as proposals that I have brought to the County Board of Supervisors. Also, you can look at previous editions of the Jacob Journal, Press Releases, and Sites to See in the Second District. "Hello" Stop in and say

### Join me for Coffee and Conversation...

Saturday, November 6, 9:00 to 11:00am Old Oak Inn 1367 Dewey Place, Campo

Friday, November 12, 8:30 to 10:30am The Golden Goose 10001 Maine Avenue, Lakeside

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